

# Inclusive diffraction --towards final plots?

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From discussion with Raju:

A “natural” rate of diffraction would be  $1/9 \sim 11\%$ ,  
which is close to what was observed at HERA ( $\sim 15\%$ ).  
This comes from mere numerical considerations,  
a colour octet+1 exchange (or  $1/N_c^2$ ).

With this argument, there is no reason to believe that  
the diffractive rate in  $eA$  would be any different from  $ep$ .

It is a prediction from CGC that the diffractive rate in  $eA > ep$   
(bSat is CGC)

This is seen in double ratios  $R$ :

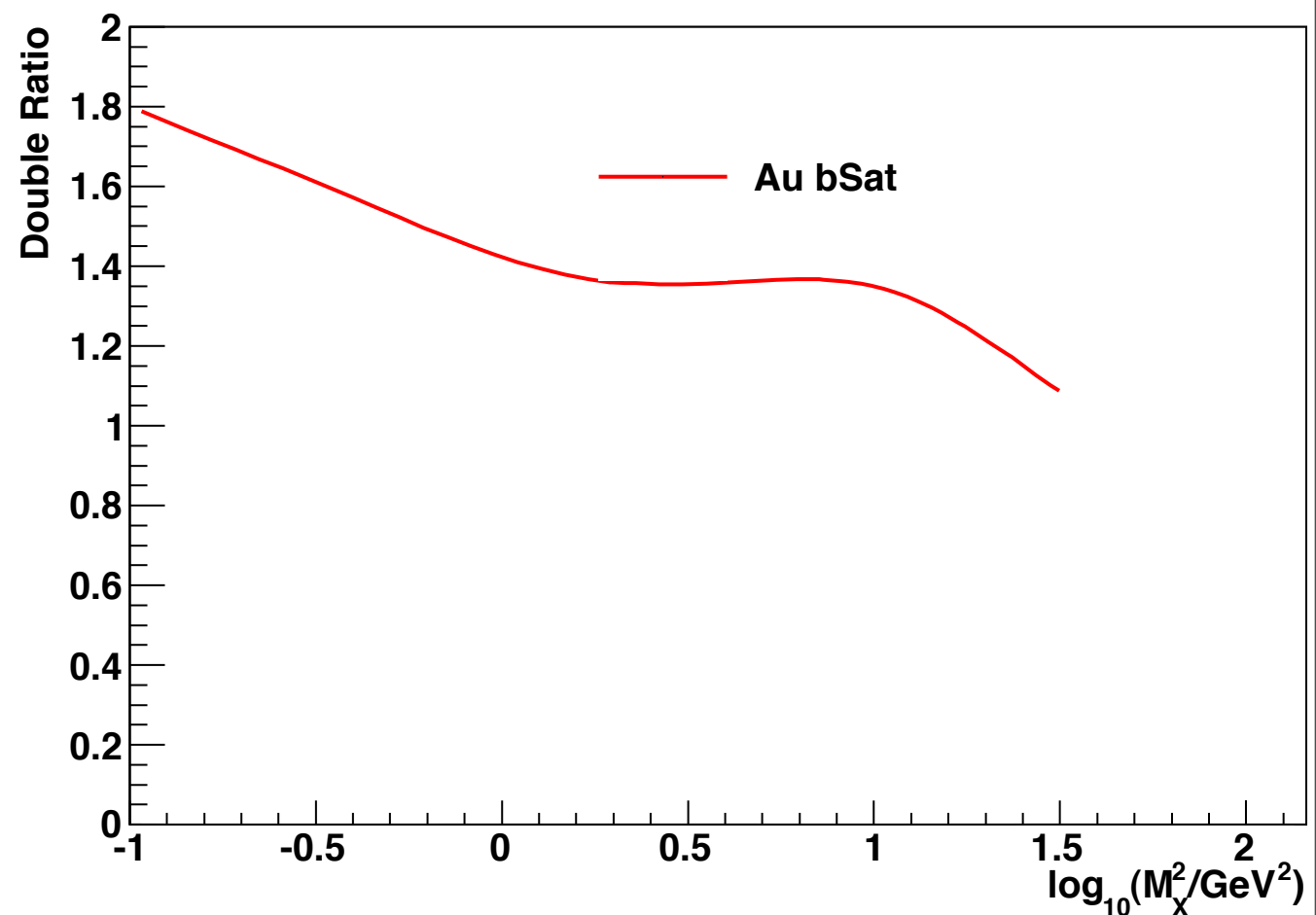
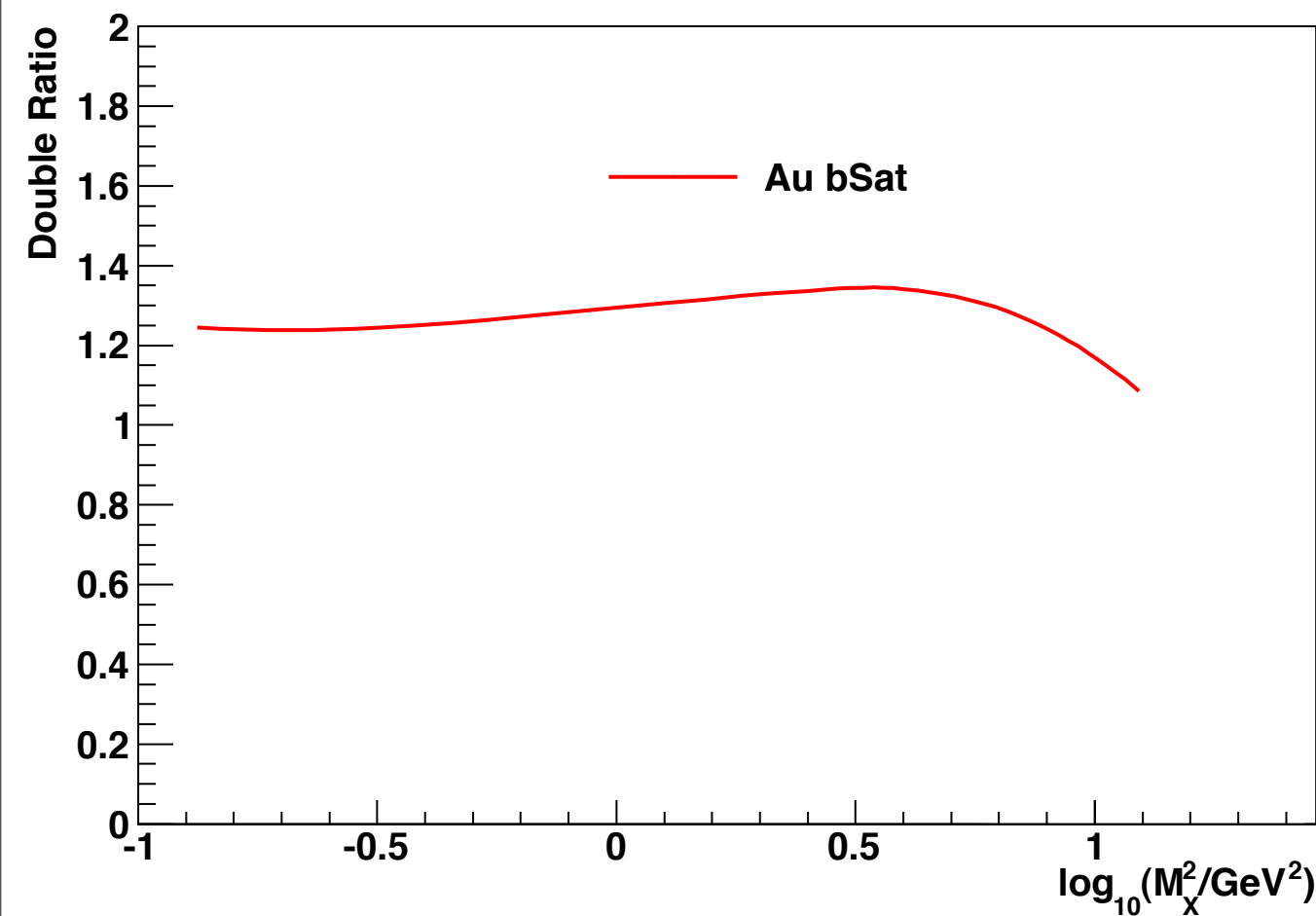
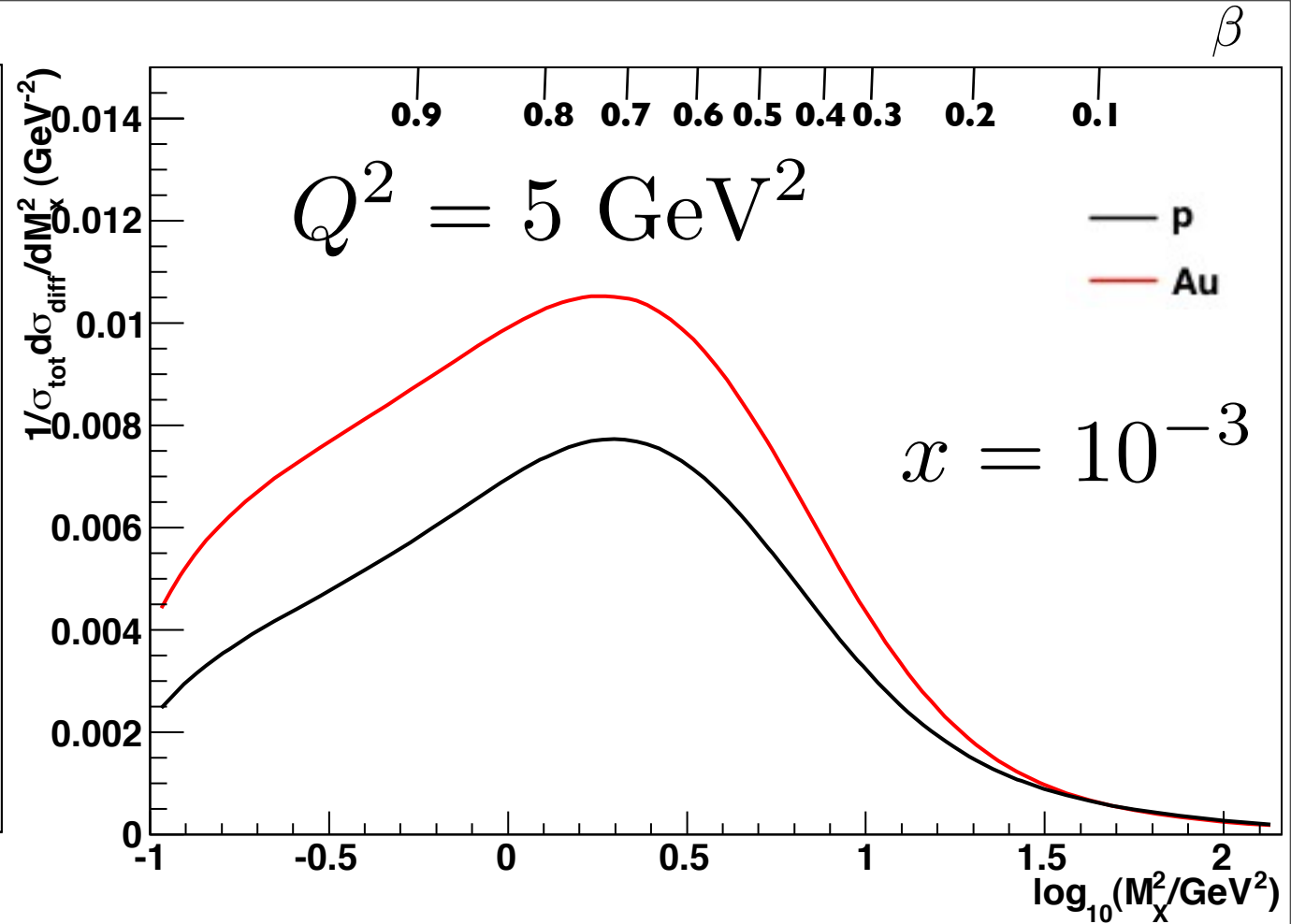
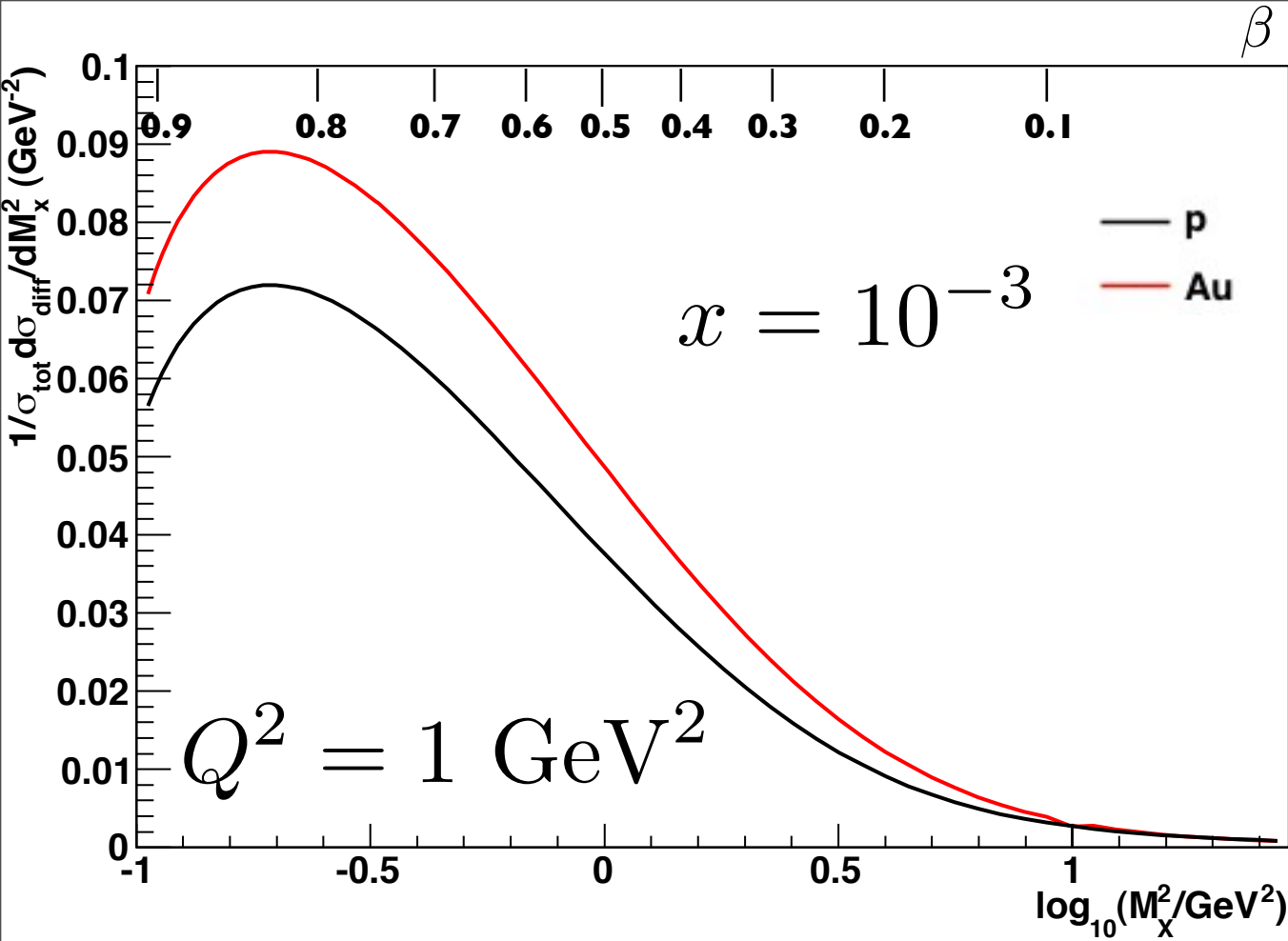
When both  $A$  and  $p$  are at the BDL,  $R=1$  (as “natural” HERA case)  
**Else,  $R>1$ .**

**Saturation models say:**

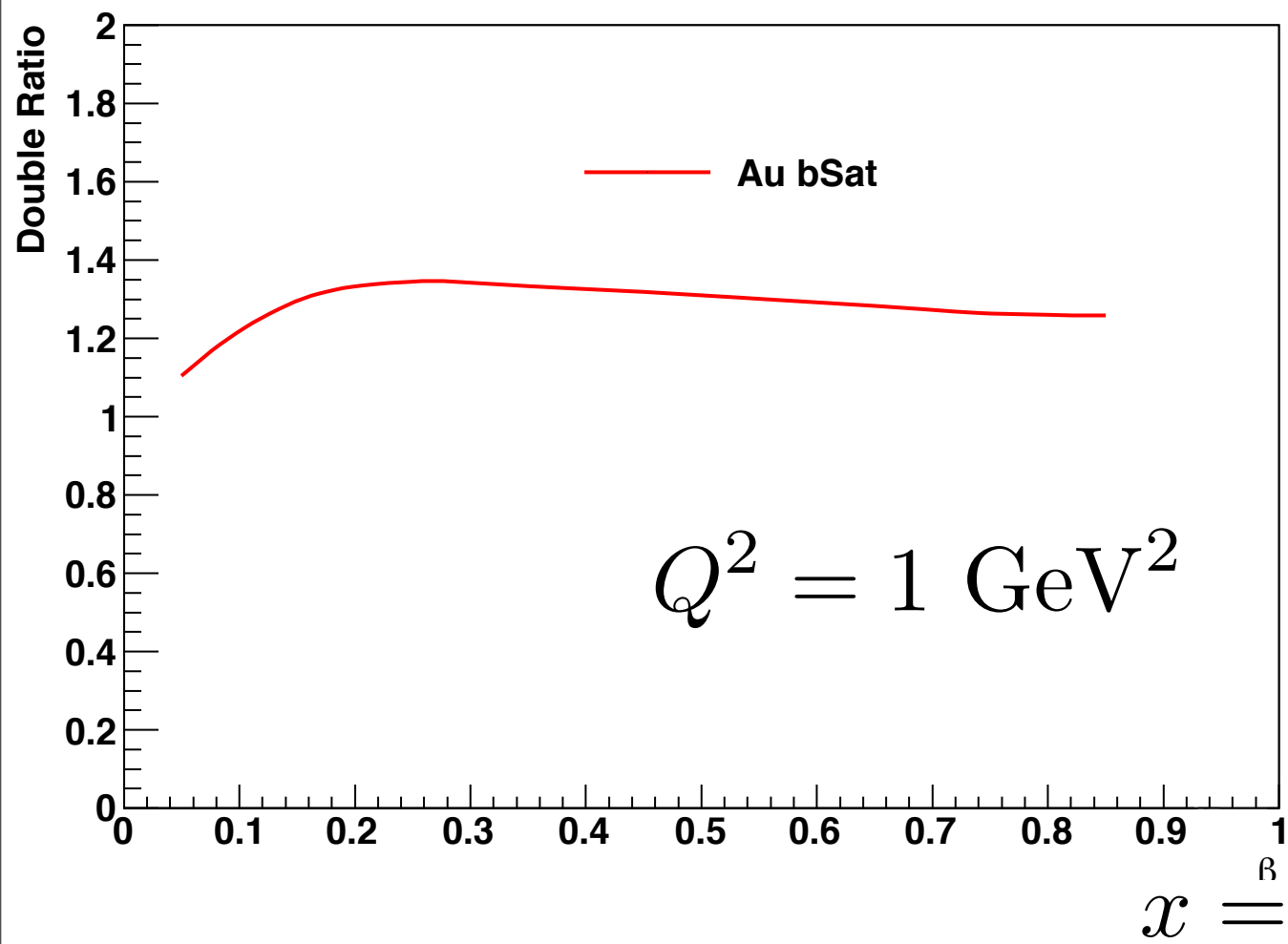
Away from saturation, there is more diffraction in  $eA$  than in  $ep$

LTS is a **non-saturated model**, in the sense that there is a freedom how  
to choose the non-perturbative initial condition, as long as unitarity is  
upheld, but there is **no saturation** in evolution.

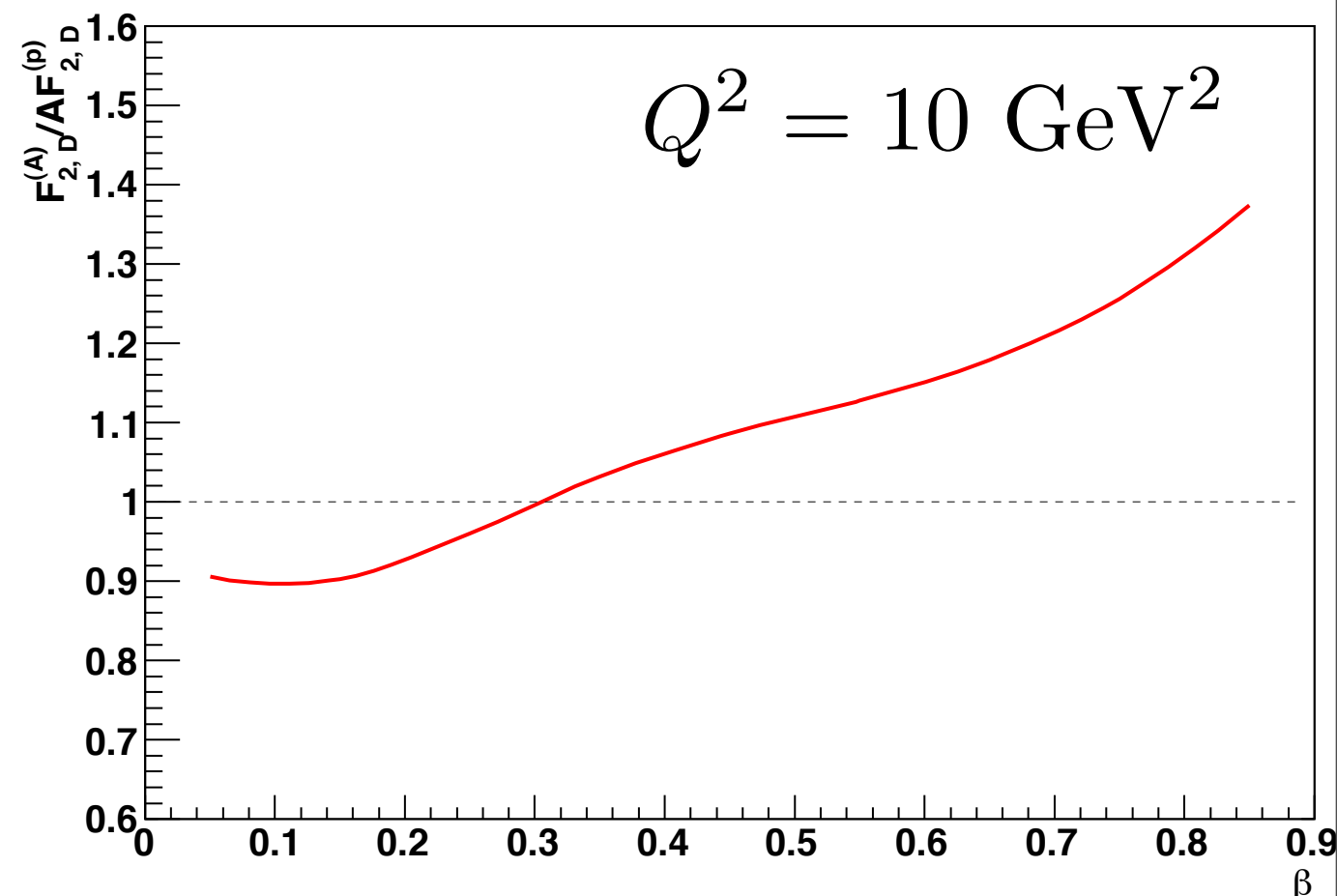
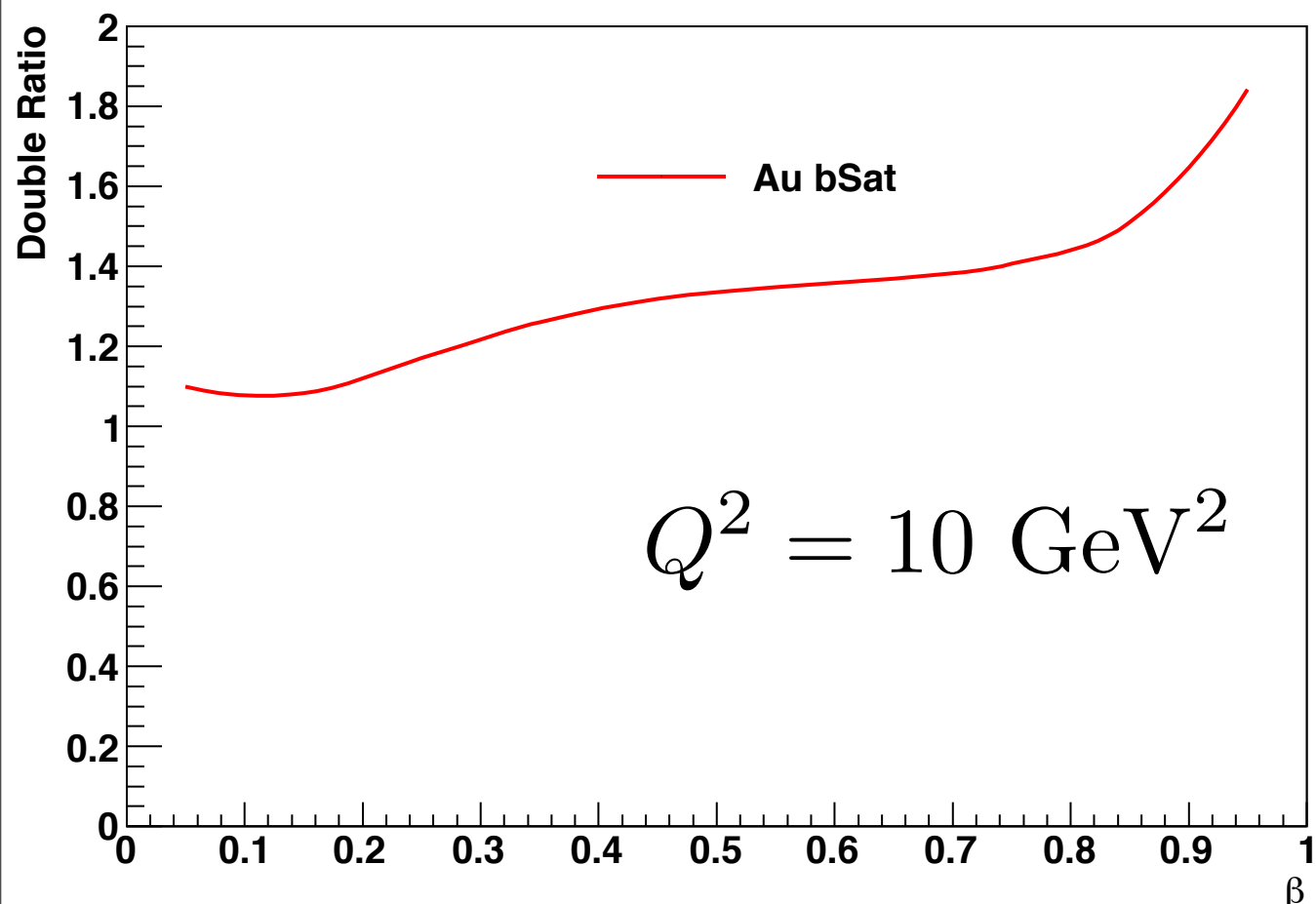
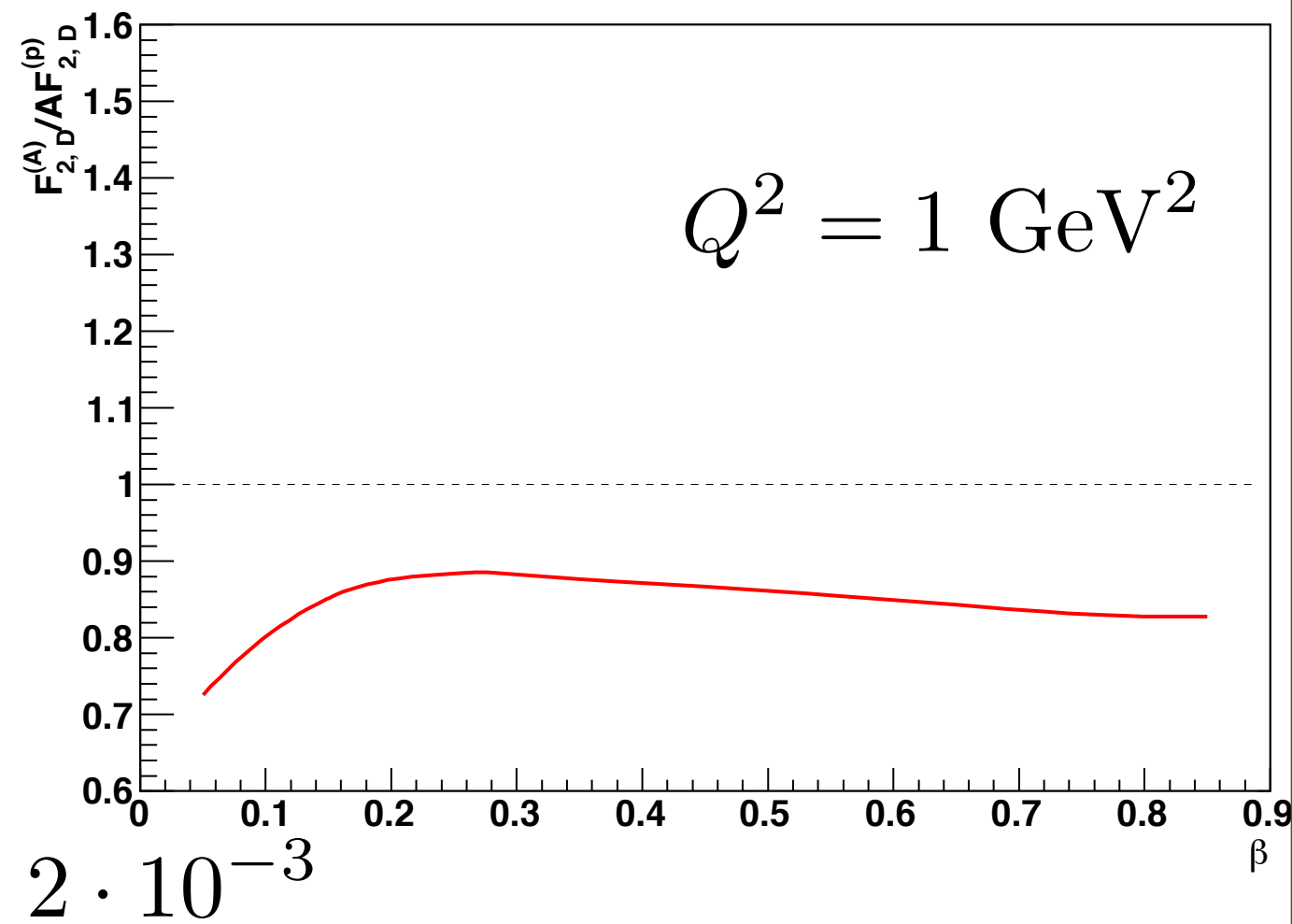
**=> LTS predicts  $R<1$ .**

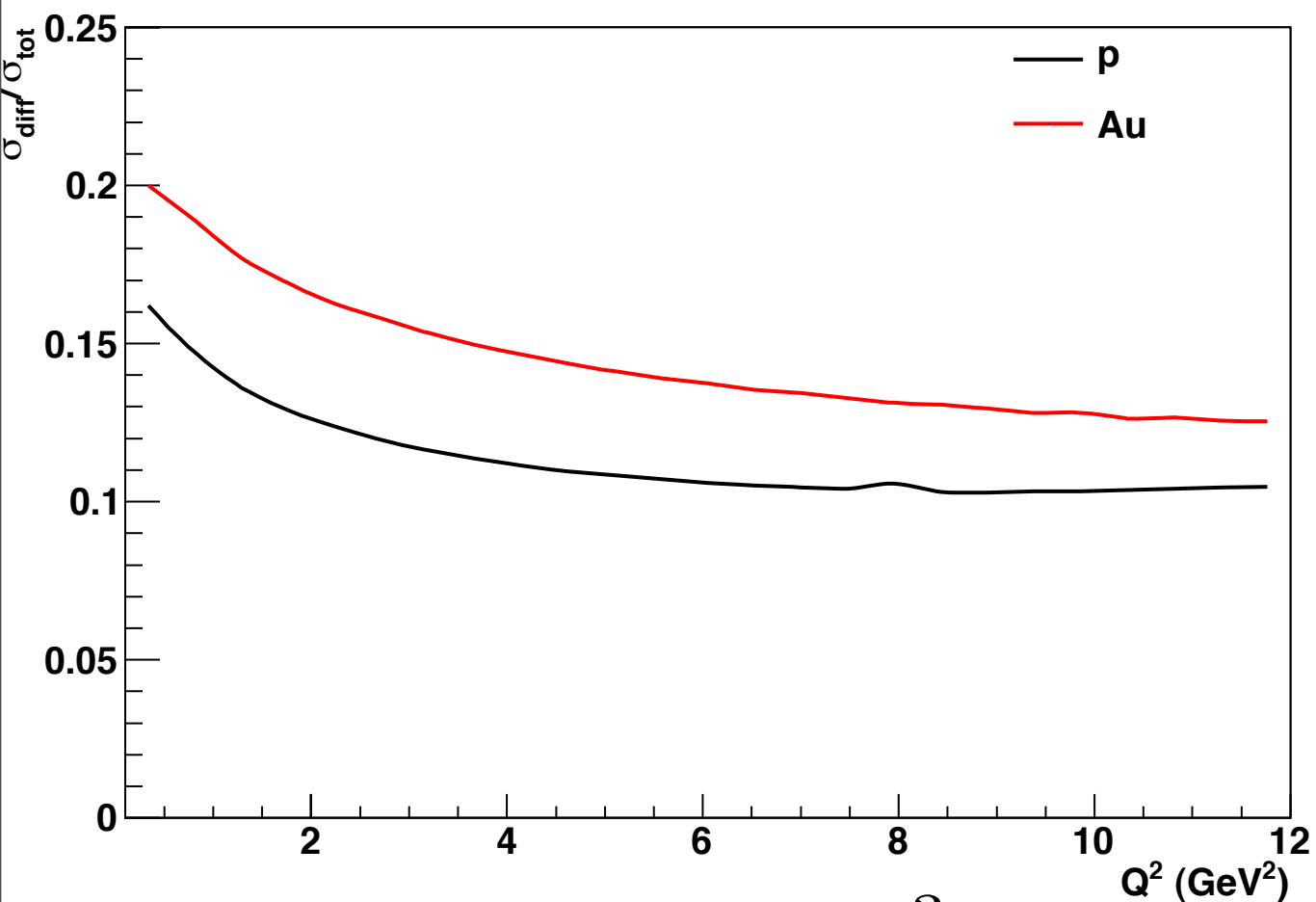


# Double Ratio

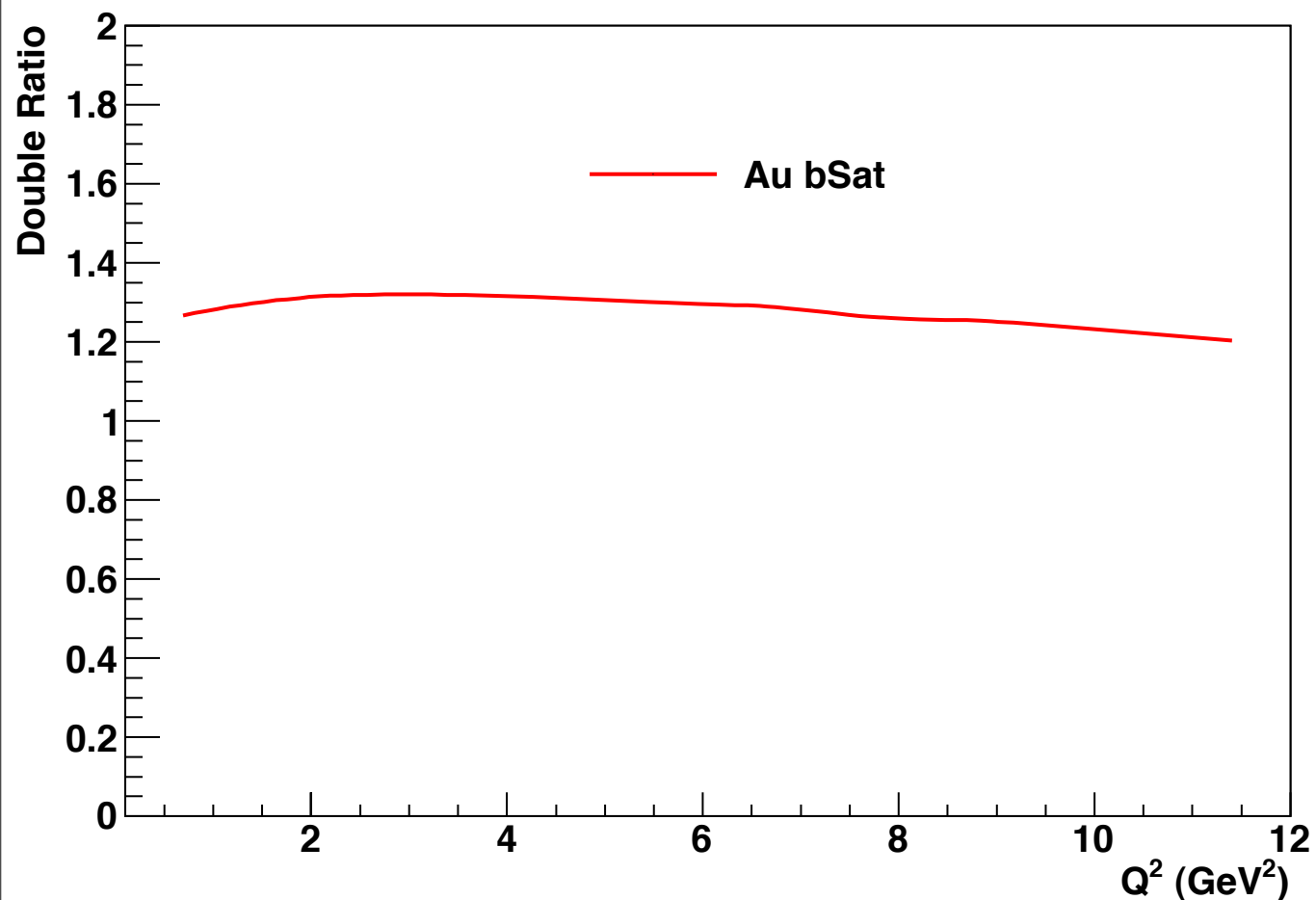


# $F_2$ -ratio



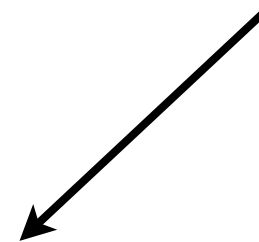


$$x = 2 \cdot 10^{-3}$$



Diffractive cross-section  
 integrated over  $M_x^2$ ,  
 such that:

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_X^2 &> 2M_{\pi^0}^2 \\
 x_{\mathbb{P}} &< 0.03
 \end{aligned}$$



Large difference from LTS:

